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Dear Mr. Dulles:

It is
a comfort to know that
the Central Intelligence
Agency is in favor of
banning nuclear tests

People are disturbed by the ever-growing danger of fall-out, and alarmed by the irresponsible hogging statements of some of the high military officials.

I greatly admire the quiet sane way the C. I. A. works.

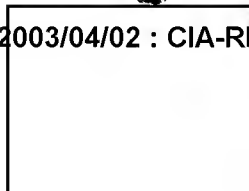
Sincerely yours
Margaret Fleming
(Mrs Thomas Fleming)

April 10

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Mr. Dulles, Chairman

Central Intelligence Agency
Washington

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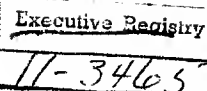
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT : Director's Correspondence

1. I am returning herewith the letter to Mr. Dulles from Mrs. Thomas Flemming of [redacted] dated April 10.

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2. We are not aware of any official statement by any Agency official stating CIA's position with reference to the banning of nuclear tests. It may be that Mrs. Flemming's comments are based on the March, 1959, FORTUNE article indicating CIA's participation in Dr. Killian's Study Group which recommended that the U.S. agree to a test moratorium. The article did not indicate CIA's views specifically, but Mrs. Flemming apparently assumed that CIA felt along the same lines. It is our feeling that this is nothing more than a nice note from an interested lady who appears to have a favorable impression of the Director personally and the Agency generally.

3. The question of response is somewhat difficult. However, it is suggested that a polite non-committal reply might be in order. Attached is a suggested letter to be used as you see fit.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Mrs. Thomas Flemming

[Redacted]

Dear Mrs. Flemming:

The Director has requested that I acknowledge your letter of April 10 and express our appreciation for your very kind expression concerning work of our organization.

As you are probably aware, this Agency is not responsible for the establishment of U.S. policies either foreign or domestic. We, of course, do our best to assist in the formulation of national policy by the most objective presentation of facts. Our sole desire is to serve the best interests of our government and we are most gratified at any time when we feel that we have been successful in this aim.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

Assistant to the Director

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Remarks:

For comment and whatever action you deem appropriate. Col. Grogan advises that he does not recall anyone in the Agency publicly stating that CIA "is in favor of banning nuclear tests".

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